

MINUTES OF FRANSHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 26<sup>TH</sup>  
SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Mr R James, Mr A Lake, Mrs E Spratt, Mrs J Sheringham, Mr T Mallon and Mr G Taylor

**Others Present:** Dist. Cllr E Gould, Mrs G Hubbard, Mrs S Irving, 3 Electors and PCSO Hayley Greenhill

**1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence**

The Chairman welcomed those present and introduced the new Clerk to the Parish Council, Mrs Irving, as Mrs Hubbard was retiring. Cllr Mark Kiddle-Morris sent apologies for absence.

**2. To consider co-opting Mr G Taylor onto the Parish Council**

Mr Lake proposed that Mr Taylor be co-opted onto the Parish Council, seconded by Mr Mallon and carried. Mr Taylor signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form and was asked to complete the Interests form.

**3. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda**

Mr Lake declared a Personal Interest in item 9, Planning as he is married to Mrs Lake.

**4. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on July 18th**

The minutes had been circulated and read. Mr Lake proposed the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the last meeting, seconded by Mrs Spratt and carried by the Council.

**5. To discuss any matters from the minutes of July (not on the agenda)**

The residents living at No 3 Station Road, in Lyndhurst Cottage have been sent a letter, asking them to cut the hedge. Their neighbours have also spoken to them about the issue. A token cut has taken place. Cllr Kiddle-Morris had offered to take up the problem if an adequate cut was not carried out. Mrs Irving will send an email to Cllr Kiddle-Morris about this. He will also be asked if he has carried out the survey he was going to do in relation to the trod at Ash House.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

PCSO Hayley Greenhill attended the meeting as requested. She was told that the crimes reported on the website are different to the crimes actually being carried out. She said that she had investigated the actual crimes and in March there was 1 burglary committed, no crimes in April and May, in June 2 crimes of anti social behaviour, in July 1 crime of public order offence. The website states a much higher number so she will investigate and attend the November meeting.

**6. To discuss any progress with fulfilling the seventh vacancy**

There has been no progress with this to date.

**7. To discuss Correspondence**

A copy of the Dudgeon newsletter and a copy of the Clerks & Councils magazine were received. Members of Necton parish and Holme Hale parish have combined because of the Vattenfall project. There are 4 proposed sites for the project. The people involved in Necton and Holme Hale have asked for support from Fransham. A more suitable site has been found by the Necton Action group. It is near Norwich and the action group is pressing for this site to become the chosen site. The action group has written, opposing strongly that neither Necton nor Holme Hale should be the chosen site. Fransham Parish Council will write a letter of support.

**8. To receive the Crime and Policing Report**

This was discussed under the Public Participation section.

**9. To discuss any Planning Issues**

3PL/2017/0902/O Mrs Lake, land off Station Road, erection of 4 dwellings with associated garages with all matters reserved bar access, planning application received. The Parish Council had responded by voting 3 in favour, 1 abstaining and 1 giving no comment.

3PL/2017/0191/F Fransham Place, Main Road, erection of 3 detached dwellings with detached garages, planning permission refused

3PL/2017/0749/F Mr C Shuart, Homestead, Main Rd, closure of existing access to Homestead, erection of 4 dwellings & new access, remove hedge & erect 1.8m brick wall, planning application rec'd. The Parish Council recommended 1 property.

3PL/2017/0696/HOU Mrs J Amato, Sunnymeade, Station Drive, extend the side (roadside) garden boundary by approx. 6 meters onto land which I own. Planning permission received.

3PL/2016/1314/F Mr Powell, The Old Post Office, Main Road, erection of 2 dwellings, this application went to Appeal and permission has been approved for 2 dwellings.

**10. To discuss Highways Matters**

This subject was discussed under Public Participation. The A47 manhole covers are still loose and a solution to this problem will be sought. Highways England will have been contacted again about this as they keep reporting that the matter will be dealt with in due course.

**11. To authorize finance payments:-**

Mr Sheringham proposed the following financial payments be authorized, seconded by Mrs Spratt and carried:-

Clerk's net salary for August & September £205.00, Tax for August & September £51.00, Training cost for Cllr Spratt £45.00, Clerk's holiday pay in lieu £102.00, Clerk's expenses April – September £108.81, NPT & S membership subscription £32.50

**12. To discuss the Internal Auditor situation**

Mrs Irving will use the person who is going to carry out the audit for the 2 other parish councils that she works for.

**13. To receive update on the bus shelter project**

Mr Lake will continue to negotiate with Highways England and will try to persuade them to decrease the cost of their invoice. They had sent an invoice for £13,420.48 It was suggested that a letter be written to the Eastern Daily Press and the Member of Parliament if the cost was not decreased.

**14. To decide whether to switch from NALC to NPT & S**

Mr Sheringham proposed the subscription for NALC was not renewed and the Parish Council became a member of Norfolk Parish Training and Support.

**15. To receive items for next agenda**

To set the Precept

To discuss the Defibrillator

To discuss the Highways problem at Crown Lane and Lyndhurst Cottage

Invite PCSO Hayley Greenhill to the November meeting

**16. To confirm date of next meeting**

The date of the Parish Council meeting is set for Tuesday November 21<sup>st</sup> at 7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. There being no other business to discuss, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.14 p.m.

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Chairman Date